Introduced by Senator DeSaulnier

February 22, 2013

An act to add *and repeal* Chapter 20 (commencing with Section 26300) to Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 13836 of the Penal Code, and to add *and repeal* Part 14.7 (commencing with Section 34001) to Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to sexual assaults.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 782, as amended, DeSaulnier. Sexual assault treatment and prevention: sexually oriented business tax.

Existing law imposes various taxes, including taxes on the privilege of engaging in certain activities. The Fee Collection Procedures Law, the violation of which is a crime, provides procedures for the collection of certain fees and surcharges.

This bill would, *until January 1, 2024*, impose a tax on persons operating a sexually oriented business, as defined, at the rate of \$10 per visit by a customer to the business inclusive of admission and reentry: *reentry*. The tax would be administered by the State Board of Equalization and would be collected pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Fee Collection Procedures Law. The bill would create the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund, and would require that all revenues, less refunds and the costs of the administration of the tax, derived from the tax be transferred to the fund. This bill would provide that moneys in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, be used by the Office of Emergency Services for specified purposes related to the treatment and prevention of sexual assault. *This bill would prohibit*

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the Office of Emergency Services from allocating any funds until an appellate court has determined that the tax on persons operating a sexually oriented business is not unconstitutional.

Because this bill would expand application of the Fee Collection Procedures Law, the violation of which is a crime, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

This bill would become operative on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 90 days after the effective date of this bill.

This bill would include a change in state statute that would result in a taxpayer paying a higher tax within the meaning of Section 3 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, and thus would require for passage the approval of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the membership of each house of the Legislature.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:
- (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that an award of a grant to an organization pursuant to this act shall not result in a reduction in moneys appropriated by the Legislature to that organization. The taxes imposed by this measure are intended to ameliorate the negative secondary effects associated with the combination of sexually oriented businesses and alcohol so as to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of California.
 - (b) Sexually oriented businesses that serve alcohol or that are located near liquor-serving businesses pose larger and qualitatively different ambient public safety hazards. Governments rely on this consistent finding of the empirical secondary effect literature as a rationale for limiting nudity in liquor-serving businesses.
 - (c) Accordingly, the consumption of alcohol on the premises of a sexually oriented business contributes to the need for community-based services to respond to victims of all forms of

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sexual exploitation, including sexual harassment, trafficking, and sexual assault.

- (d) Rape crisis centers and other victim service providers play a unique role in responding to assault, sexual abuse, trafficking, and domestic violence. They also work to prevent crimes such as these through the creation of public awareness and prevention that empowers and restores persons who have been sexually violated.
- (e) This act is not intended to directly or indirectly impose limitations or restrictions on live nude dancing, nor is it the intent of this act to restrict or deny access by adults to live nude dancing performances that may be protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution or by the California Constitution.
- (f) This act shall be known and may be cited as the Sexual Assault Victims Equity (SAVE) Act.
- SEC. 2. Chapter 20 (commencing with Section 26300) is added to Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

Chapter 20. Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention

- 26300. (a) The Office of Emergency Services shall use funds transferred from the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund. Funding allocations shall be determined by the Office of Emergency Services, in collaboration with the State Advisory Committee on Sexual Assault Victim Services, as stipulated in Section 13836 of the Penal Code, no later than June 20, 2014. Except as provided in subdivision—(d), (f), funds transferred from the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund shall be used only for the following purposes:
- (1) To award grants for intervention services related to sexual assault survivors and rape prevention programs provided by rape crisis centers, as stipulated in Section 13837 of the Penal Code.
- (2) To award grants to, and contracts with, a statewide organization organized and operated as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that has the primary purpose of ending sexual violence in this state, for programs for the intervention and prevention of sexual violence, outreach programs, training, and technical assistance to and support of California rape crisis centers, as stipulated in Section 13837 of Penal Code, and other organizations funded by the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund to prevent and intervene in sexual

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1 violence in underserved communities. Funds awarded pursuant to

- 2 this paragraph shall be administered by the Office of Emergency
- 3 Services and approved by the State Advisory Committee on Sexual
- 4 Assault Victim Services, as authorized in Section 13836 of the 5 Penal Code.
 - (3) Civil legal services to sexual assault survivors.
 - (4) Coordination of sexual assault response teams that provide multidisciplinary response services to sexual assault survivors.
 - (5) Culturally and linguistically appropriate intervention services to sexual assault survivors from underrepresented or underserved communities.
 - (6) To award grants to reimburse the payment of adult and adolescent sexual assault forensic exams.
 - (7) To award grants to nonprofit, community-based organizations to support intervention and treatment services for victims of sexual exploitation of human trafficking. Eligible programs for these grants include, but are not limited to, community-based organizations that provide services for victims of sexual and domestic violence and work to end and prevent sexual and domestic violence.
 - (8) To award grants to nonprofit, community-based organizations to support the intervention and treatment services for victims of sexual assault as part of dating or domestic violence, including, but not limited to, sexual assault services programs, as defined in Section 13837 of the Penal Code, or domestic violence victim service organizations, as defined in Section 1037.1 of the Evidence Code. Funds awarded pursuant to this paragraph shall be administered by the Office of Emergency Services and approved by the State Advisory Committee on Sexual Assault Victim Services, as stipulated in Section 13836 of the Penal Code.
 - (b) Grants awarded pursuant to paragraphs 3 to 8 (3) to (8), inclusive, of subdivision (a) shall be awarded as a result of a competitive request for proposal process.
 - (c) No more than 10 percent annually of the funds deposited in the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund may be used for the administration by the Office of Emergency Services of these grant programs.
 - (d) The Office of Emergency Services shall not allocate any funds under this section until an appellate court has determined that the tax imposed by Part 14.7 (commencing with Section 34001)

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of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is not unconstitutional. The Office of Emergency Services may allocate funds immediately after the determination.

(e) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b), the Office of Emergency Services shall not allocate more than 20 percent of moneys in the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund in any calendar year to one group, organization, corporation, partnership, or other entity, whether for profit or nonprofit, or individual.

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- (f) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) shall be appropriated biennially by the Legislature to the Office of Emergency Services from the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund to fund a report created by the Office of Emergency Services to the Governor and the Legislature reporting the following:
- (A) The deficiencies with respect to research, prevention, response, victim services, adjudication, and incarceration, related to sexual assaults at state and local levels.
- (B) The effectiveness of appropriations made to fund this chapter and other legislation related to sexual assault intervention enacted by the Legislature.
- (C) Recommendations for appropriate performance measures that enable the Governor and the Legislature to assess and respond to the status of sexual assault prevention in this state.
- (2) Notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, a report, pursuant to paragraph (1), shall be submitted on July 1, 2015, and biennially thereafter.
- (3) A report to be submitted pursuant to this subdivision shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.
- (g) This chapter shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2024, and as of that date is repealed.
 - SEC. 3. Section 13836 of the Penal Code is amended to read:
- 13836. The office shall establish the State Advisory Committee on Sexual Assault Victim Services which shall develop a course
- on Sexual Assault Victim Services which shall develop a course of training for district attorneys in the investigation and prosecution
- of sexual assault cases, child sexual exploitation cases, and child
- 39 sexual abuse cases and shall approve grants awarded pursuant to
- 40 Section 13837 and Chapter 20 (commencing with Section 26300)

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of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code. The courses shall include training in the unique emotional trauma experienced by victims of these crimes.

It is the intent of the Legislature in the enactment of this chapter to encourage the establishment of sex crime prosecution units, which shall include, but not be limited to, child sexual exploitation and child sexual abuse cases, in district attorneys' offices throughout the state.

SEC. 4. Part 14.7 (commencing with Section 34001) is added to Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

PART 14.7. SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS TAX

- 34001. For purposes of this part, the following definitions apply:
- (a) "Nude" means clothed in a manner that leaves uncovered or visible through less than fully opaque clothing, any portion of the genitals or, in the case of a female, any portion of the breasts below the top of the areola of the breasts.
- (b) "Sexually oriented business" means a nightclub, bar, restaurant, or similar commercial enterprise that does both of the following:
- (1) Provides for an audience of two or more individuals live nude entertainment or live nude performances where the nudity is a function of everyday business operations and where nudity is a planned and intentional part of the entertainment or performance.
- (2) Authorizes on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages, regardless of whether the consumption of alcoholic beverages is under a license or permit issued under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act.
- 34002. The tax imposed by this part shall be in addition to any other taxes imposed by law.
- 34003. For the privilege of operating a sexually oriented business, a tax is hereby imposed upon all persons who operate a sexually oriented business at the rate of ten dollars (\$10) per visit by a customer to the business inclusive of admission and reentry.
- 34004. A person who operates a sexually oriented business shall record daily in the manner required by the board the number of customers admitted to the business.

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34005. A person who operates a sexually oriented business may not require the tax imposed by this part to be reimbursed by an employee or independent contractor of the sexually oriented business, but may require the tax to be reimbursed by the customer whose entry the tax is imposed upon, in a manner prescribed by the board.

- 34006. (a) The taxes imposed by the this part shall be due and payable to the board on or before the last day of the month following each calendar quarter.
- (b) (1) On or before the last day of the month following each calendar quarter, a return for the preceding quarterly period shall be filed with the board using electronic media.
- (2) The board may prescribe those forms and reporting requirements as are necessary to implement the tax, including, but not limited to, information regarding the number of entries to the business and the amount of tax due.
- 34006.5. Every person required to pay the tax imposed under this part shall register with the board. Every application for registration shall be made upon a form prescribed by the board and shall set forth the name under which the applicant transacts or intends to transact business, the location of the applicant's place or places of business, and such other information as the board may require. An application for an account shall be authenticated in a form or pursuant to methods as may be prescribed by the board.
- 34007. The board shall administer and collect the tax imposed by this part pursuant to the Fee Collection Procedures Law (Part 30 (commencing with Section 55001)). For purposes of this part, the references in the Fee Collection Procedures Law to "fee" shall include the tax imposed by this part and references to "feepayer" shall include a person required to pay the tax imposed by this part.
- 34008. The board shall enforce the provisions of this part and may prescribe, adopt, and enforce rules and regulations relating to the administration and enforcement of this part. The board may prescribe the extent to which any ruling or regulation shall be applied without retroactive effect.
- 34009. (a) The board shall transmit all payments, less refunds and the board's costs of administration, to the Treasurer to be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention Fund, which is hereby created.

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1 (b) Moneys in the Sexual Assault Treatment and Prevention 2 Fund shall, upon appropriation by the Legislature, be—used 3 *transferred* as specified in Section 26300 of the Health and Safety 4 Code.

- 5 34010. This part shall remain in effect only until January 1, 6 2024, and as of that date is repealed.
- 7 SEC. 5. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or 10 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty 11 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of 12 13 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California 14 15 Constitution.
- SEC. 6. The provisions of this act shall become operative on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 90 days after the effective date of this act.